

Please do not use this proceeding to create a lukewarm Federal-level regulation that would, by pre-emption, weaken the exemplary provisions of Indiana's existing Telephone Privacy Law. Since the implementation of Indiana's law, annoying and unsought phone solicitations have dropped rapidly and dramatically in my home. The ability to now eat, work, or sleep at home, fully uninterrupted by nuisance calls is almost beyond price. "Exemptions" are the death knell to regulations like this, and at the Federal level, you will be under heavy pressure to exempt this group or that industry. DO NOT GIVE IN TO THEM! I and other citizens of this land are perfectly capable of seeking out goods and services of all sorts on our own, without having them rammed at us even in the sanctuary of our own homes. Marketing pressure can drive any firm to try to use the phone to press new goods and services on prospective customers, even ones with whom they already do business... and use of a telephone's alarm bell to gain that access invades privacy. Telephone service is the property of THOSE WHO PAY FOR IT. It is not, nor should it ever be, a free advertising conduit into private homes for companies who have had no part in paying for it. Please strongly consider using Indiana's existing Telephone Privacy Law as a model, and please do NOT weaken or over-ride any of its provisions. Thank you.